## IN THE 24<sup>th</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT STATE OF ALABAMA

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER – 8/4/2020**

The Administrative Order entered by this Court on 5/19/2020 is hereby AMENDED as follows:

## Masks

All individuals entering any courtroom, court clerk's area, private judicial area, or public judicial area in this circuit **SHALL** wear a mask for his or her own protection and for the protection of others. Masks worn into court proceedings shall not contain any writing or image that would be inappropriate for a courtroom setting. The presiding circuit judge or judge presiding over the court proceeding may require that the mask be temporarily removed: (i) for identification purposes, (ii) if the mask substantially interferes with the ability of the judge, parties, lawyers or court reporter to communicate effectively, or (iii) if wearing the mask prevents an authorized recording device from accurately recording what is being said by an individual who is speaking.

If an individual is unable to wear a mask due to his/her health or safety concerns, that individual shall alert the court and remain outside the courtroom until precautions can be taken by the judge presiding over the court proceeding. Said precautions shall be determined at the sole discretion of the judge presiding over the court proceeding.

Nothing in this order is intended to alter or amend any other section of this Court's Administrative Order entered on 5/9/2020.

## Done this 4th day of August, 2020.

/s/ SAMUEL W. JUNKIN Samuel W. Junkin Presiding Circuit Judge 24<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit